

CHAPTER 8
PARENTAGE AND SURROGACY ACTIONS

Rule 5.8.1

Parentage Actions

A. Inspection of UPA Paternity Files. Inspection and copying of documents in a paternity action filed by an individual under the Uniform Parentage Act is governed by Family Code, section 7643.

B. Written Authorization for Inspection and Copying of Paternity File

1. In addition to the statutory requirements for inspection and copying of documents in a paternity file pursuant to Family Code section 7643, the court recommends that any written authorization also include ALL of the following specific information:

- a. Case number
- b. Name and signature of the party or attorney authorizing the inspection
- c. Name and signature of the “agent” authorized to inspect and/or copy the documents in the file
- d. The relationship of the “agent” to the party or attorney authorizing the inspection
- e. A designated time frame or duration for the authorization
- f. Any limitations on inspection and/or copying.

2. The original of the written authorization shall be filed stamped and placed in the court file.

3. All requests to inspect and/or copy documents from a paternity file without written or statutory authorization will require a court order.

C. Disclosure of DCSS Files with Paternity Judgment. Disclosure of all documents and information in an action brought or maintained by DCSS, including a paternity judgment, shall be governed by Family Code, section 17212.

(Adopted 1/1/2010; Renum. 1/1/2012; Rev. & Renum. 1/1/2013)

Rule 5.8.2

Surrogacy Actions

A. All surrogacy cases must be set for a hearing pursuant to a Request for Order. The court will endeavor to set the hearing within 30 calendar days of the filing of the motion.

B. Additional information and a model order may be found online.

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